

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION expressing profound disappointment in Carrier Corporation and United Technologies.

DELPH, YOUNG

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION expressing profound
2 disappointment in Carrier Corporation and United
3 Technologies.

4 *Whereas, Willis Carrier designed the first modern air-*
5 *conditioning system in 1902, founded Carrier Engineering*
6 *Corporation in 1915, and was named one of TIME Magazine's*
7 *100 most influential people of the 20th century;*

8 *Whereas, Carrier Corporation has manufactured its*
9 *products in Indianapolis for more than half of the company's*
10 *life and has received taxpayer dollars to develop its workforce;*

11 *Whereas, Carrier Corporation and United Technologies*
12 *announced its plan to move 2,100 Hoosier jobs from Indiana*
13 *to Mexico, where Carrier may pay its workers as little as \$3.00*
14 *per hour;*

15 *Whereas, The primary function of a corporation is to*
16 *maximize its stakeholder wealth where stakeholders historically*
17 *included its stockholders, employees, community, state and*
18 *country, but it has become about stockholder wealth only,*
19 *which is exemplified by Carrier Corporation and United*



1 *Technologies decision to move its corporation to Mexico;*

2 *Whereas, United Technologies, Carrier's parent company,*
3 *owns Otis Elevators which moved a large portion of its*
4 *Bloomington plant from Indiana to Mexico;*

5 *Whereas, In its most recent fiscal year, United*
6 *Technologies had a net income of \$6,100,000,000 on net sales*
7 *of \$57,000,000,000, or \$156,164,383.56 per day;*

8 *Whereas, United Technologies is led by Gregory J. Hayes,*
9 *a graduate of Purdue University;*

10 *Whereas, Forbes and the Tax Foundation labeled Indiana*
11 *a top ten state for business, and Indiana maintains a AAA*
12 *credit rating;*

13 *Whereas, Indiana ranks first in the United States for Cost*
14 *of Doing Business, second in the United States for Regulatory*
15 *Environment, and eighth in the United States for overall*
16 *Business Tax Climate;*

17 *Whereas, At a time when other states are raising taxes to*
18 *keep up with mounting state debt, Indiana's long history of*
19 *smart fiscal choices, balanced state budgets and cash reserves*
20 *in a rainy day fund puts the Hoosier State in a position to*
21 *actually lower taxes resulting in a corporate income tax rate*
22 *that has steadily decreased each year, from the current 6.5*
23 *percent to 4.9 percent by 2021;*

24 *Whereas, This tax decrease, coupled with Indiana's flat*
25 *state corporate tax rate on adjusted gross income and no gross*
26 *receipts tax or inventory tax, makes the state even more*
27 *attractive to businesses seeking a home;*

28 *Whereas, Although Indiana's economy is growing at a pace*
29 *that fosters record employment and investment, federal*
30 *corporate tax rates are among the highest in the developed*



1 *world and companies throughout the United States must*
 2 *contend with an overall regulatory burden on manufacturing*
 3 *imposed by the EPA that has nearly doubled since 1997;*

4 *Whereas, According to U.S. Energy Information*
 5 *Administration data in 2003, only four states in the nation had*
 6 *lower average industrial electricity prices than Indiana, but by*
 7 *2015, 25 states had lower prices than Indiana;*

8 *Whereas, Average industrial electricity prices have surged*
 9 *75 percent in Indiana in that time, while only increasing 37*
 10 *percent in the nation as a whole, which is a result of the push*
 11 *by the federal government to discourage the use of fossil fuels*
 12 *and encourage the use of renewable energy – a factor that*
 13 *discourages corporations from staying in the state; and*

14 *Whereas, Irrespective of Gregory Hayes's connection to*
 15 *Indiana, Carrier's decades-long success in Indianapolis, the*
 16 *taxpayer money offered to support Carrier, and the stellar*
 17 *fiscal year had by United Technologies, 2,100 Hoosiers will*
 18 *lose their jobs: Therefore,*

19 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
 20 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

21 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate expresses profound
 22 disappointment in United Technologies and the Carrier Corporation.

23 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
 24 transmit a copies of this Resolution to the board of directors at United
 25 Technologies and Carrier, Chris Nelson, and Bob McDonough.

